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To whom it may concern:

The New York Stock Exchange certifies approval for listing and registration under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, INVESTORS REAL ESTATE TRUST, Common Shares of Beneficial Interest, no par value per share, 8.25% Series A Cumulative Redeemable Preferred Shares (Liquidation Value \$25 per Share), no par value, and requests immediate acceleration of registration. Adequate distribution assured. Form 8-A received on December 5, 2012. Tentative listing date – December 18, 2012.

Sincerely,